



Stanley Crook Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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Headteacher's Notices

I would like to begin my first newsletter of the new academic year by extending an extremely warm welcome back to school to all of our pupils, staff, parents and governors. I hope that you have all been able to enjoy a restful summer break and are all refreshed, ready for the start of what promises to be another extremely exciting and successful year for Stanley Crook Primary School.

Special welcome is extended to our 18 new pupils who have joined our school in Reception and to their parents and families. Our aim at Stanley Crook Primary is to start every child on their journey through school in the best possible way. We hope that our new pupils will flourish and thrive whilst at Stanley Crook and make the most of all the learning opportunities that the school has to offer. By the time every pupil leaves Stanley Crook, we hope that they have developed the lifelong skills to be resilient, respectful and independent individuals who have a love of learning. I am looking forward to meeting with the parents of our new starters in due course. However, if any parent/carer has any queries relating to their child's education, please do not hesitate to contact me. My staff and I in school are here to support in any way we can.

I have been extremely impressed by how well and how quickly our new Reception pupils have settled into school during their first week at Stanley Crook! Already, they are demonstrating our core values in school of friendship, trust, teamwork and resilience.

Indeed, pupils across all Teams have returned to school with a positive attitude and a fresh approach to their learning. Pupils have also enjoyed familiarising themselves with the new Team names for this academic year. In whatever Team, pupils have begun researching their author and getting to know and discuss their most well-known books and stories. Team Donaldson, Team Dahl, Team Rowling, Team Walliams and Team Morpurgo should all be proud of the excellent start they have made to the new year!

Our School Mission: **'To try our best, to tell the truth, to look after each other and our community'** continues to be central to our ethos at Stanley Crook Primary School. The notion of T.E.A.M. (Together Everyone Achieves More) also supports our aim of providing a dynamic learning environment centred around a well-designed and robust school curriculum which meets the needs of all pupils and provides each of them with the best possible opportunities to succeed.

Attached to Class Story via Class Dojo, you will find information relating to your child's Team timetable and Curriculum Map. The timetable provides detail on when your child will require additional kit in school (PE, for example) as well as highlighting when other subjects will be covered during the week. The Curriculum Map is a long-term overview of Topics and Subjects which are due to be covered during this academic year. At Stanley Crook Primary School we continue to focus heavily on the "3 R's" (Reading, 'riting and 'rithmetic) but do this through a topic based approach which provides creative and cross-curricular learning opportunities.

In the next couple of weeks, we will be hosting induction meetings for parents/ carers to meet with their child's new class teacher and find out more about the new academic year in their child's Team. More information will follow.

Thank you for your continued support and, once again, may I wish you all a warm welcome back to school!

Mr D Christie—Headteacher

For the most up to date information about what is going on in our school including dates for your diaries, parental information and school performance information, please visit our website at:

<http://www.stanleycrook.durham.sch.uk>

Please scan your smartphone device over the QR code to be taken straight to our school website!



Durham Constabulary Junior Education Programme

Pupils in Year 6 have begun work alongside Durham Constabulary as part of our Junior Education partnership. This week, pupils learned about the dangers of prejudice and 'hate crimes' and how best to support and promote an inclusive and caring society.

Pedestrian Training—Year 3

Beginning on the 18th September, pupils will participate in Road Safety Training supported by Durham County Council.

School Photographer

The School Photographer, Ritchie Coatsworth, will be in school on 19th September. More information will follow in due course.



Weekly T.E.A.M.

(Together Everyone Achieves More)

Attendance Champions

Donaldson	100%
Dahl	98%
Rowling	92%
Walliams	100%
Morpurgo	98%

Well done to Team

This week's Attendance Trophy WINNERS!

Children's Achievements in School

Every week, staff choose a pupil from each Team to be recognised for something special they have achieved during the week and a special award is presented in our Attendance Raffle! This week's chosen children are:

Reception



Congratulations to all of our pupils this week for their outstanding effort and hard work in our school.

Diary Dates:

- 12.09.18 Year 6—DCC Road Safety
- 14.09.18 KS2 Be Safe with David Burn
- 18.09.18 Year 3—Pedestrian Training (part 1)
- 19.09.18—Year 6—Civil Contingencies with Durham Constabulary
- 25.09.18 Year 3—Pedestrian Training (part 2)
- 26.09.18—Year 6 Alcopop Awareness with Durham Constabulary
- 10.10.18 Whole School NSPCC Speak Out Assembly
- 15.10.18 Flu Immunisation

- 17.10.18 Yr 5/6 NSPCC Speak Out Assembly Worksop
- 18.10.18 School closes for Autumn Half Term**
- 29.10.18 School reopens for Autumn Term 2**
- 11.12.18 Snow White Pantomime, Gala Theatre
- 20.12.18 Pinocchio with Bigfoot Arts